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Case No. 9793/105 (BMID 9974 US)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Frederic Donie, et al.

Serial No.: 09/423,863

Examiner: Bao Q. Li

Filed: February 8, 2000

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.191, the Applicants hereby respectfully appeal the Examiner's Final Rejection of claims 16, 17, 19, 23, 25, 29, and 30, mailed December 3, 2001.

Enclosed herewith is a check for \$320.00 to cover the fee designated in 37 CFR 1.17(b) for filing this Notice of Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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